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The TRANSFER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 6th, to THURSDAY, 9th JUNE, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, May 30, 1904. 1009

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, May 31, 1904. 1016

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IT is proposed to CLOSE the above Fund on SATURDAY, 11th JUNE, 1904, and intending Subscribers are therefore requested to kindly notify the Undersigned on or before that date.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Hon. Treasurer.
Hongkong, May 28, 1904. 1000

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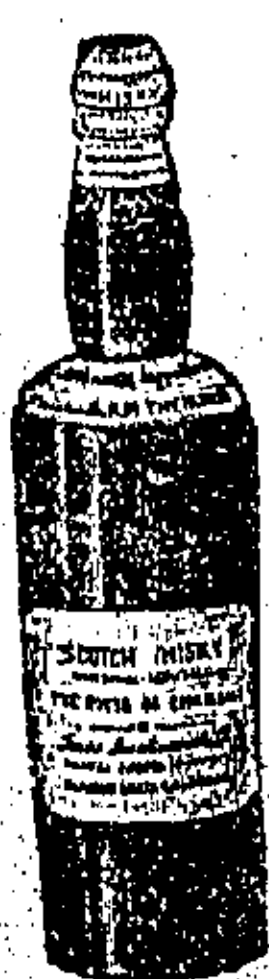
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General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, June 3—

2.30 p.m.—Auction Japanese Curios, etc., at Mr. Geo. Lammett's Sales Rooms.

SATURDAY, June 4—

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

SUNDAY, June 5—

Goods per *Orinda* not cleared 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, June 6—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Household Furniture, at No. 27, Conduit Road.

Transfer Books of The China Light and Power Co., Ltd., close from this date to the 9th June, inclusive.

THURSDAY, June 9—

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Light & Power Co., Ltd., in the Company's Office.

EAST PRAYA RECLAMATION SCHEME.

AS PROPOSED TO THE HONGKONG GOVERNMENT AND THE MARINE LOT-HOLDERS BY SIR PAUL CHATER.

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BIRTHS.

On Sunday, 29th May, at No. 4 Ormby Villas, Kowloon, the wife of JOHN BYRON SCOTT, of a Daughter.

On May 24, at Singapore, the wife of Mr PERCY L. WAT, of a Daughter.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1904.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The peaceful mission which some months ago NEW LITTLE pierced its way from WAR. India through the snows of the Himalayas to Tibet

with the object of bringing to a satisfactory state the trade treaties and

guarantees between India and the Hermit Kingdom has every appearance of

resolving itself into another little war.

In the House of Commons the other day the Hon. St. John Brodrick declared that the issue of the mission

would be the reparation of the guarantees without further interference

with Tibetan affairs, and though the announcement seemed to indicate that

nothing great in the way of a military demonstration would be necessary to

bring about all that was desired, it now looks, judging by the comments of Eng-

lish newspapers, as if the affair will assume a military move of some magni-

tude. Both the *Standard* and the *Daily Telegraph* editorially refer to the

matter, and neither of them attempt to disguise their real opinions. They

see war ahead, and they want the War Office to recognise the fact.

The *Standard* says the 'inevitable advance to Lhasa may be a more serious task than was at first expected,

and it would be rash to begin a decisive movement till a force was collected

rendering success certain,' and the *Daily Telegraph* declares that the mission will

get to Lhasa despite everything, 'but,' it adds, 'the problem of organisation

will be quite worthy of a little Kitchener.' All of which goes to show

that it is recognised that the time for dilly-dallying has passed and that for

decisive action has arrived. That the mission will be resisted continuously

henceforth goes without saying, for ever since it commenced its actual advance

from the Chumbi Valley on Lhasa, the determination of the Tibetans to destroy

it has increased rather than diminished, and they have—though they have been

using such antiquated weapons as leather cannon—also shown great resource

and cunning. Superiority of numbers and rugged mountainous country are

against the British more than anything else, and the probabilities are that those

factors, combined with the intense cold of winter, will sooner or later make to

their defeat if they are not reinforced. It will be with a great deal of reluctance

that Great Britain will increase the force. Her announcement at the outset,

when other powers protested, was that the mission was to be a peaceful one,

and if she is now forced to convert it into a warlike one she will have to answer

the charge of getting into the country under false pretences. That indictment

will certainly be made against her by the continental powers—particularly

Russia—for they recognise that war will probably mean the painting red of

a little more of the map. All that is left for Great Britain to do, however,

is take the bull by the horns, and put enough men forward to thoroughly

whip the Tibetans. Then she can dictate to them her terms, and they will

be such—if the Foreign Office is wide awake—that no other power will be

able to step in and take advantage of what Great Britain has done and

utilise it to Great Britain's detriment.

'Smiler' Hales as a Novelist.

A novel by Mr A. G. Hales ('Smiler') the war correspondent, has been issued by Mr Fisher Unwin. The title is 'The

Watcher on the Tower,' and the period that of Napoleon's invasion of Russia, the

Emperor himself being introduced into the story. The scenes are laid partly in

Russia, partly in England. Mr Hales, during his enforced sojourn in Tokyo, was

also engaged on another novel dealing with the Macedonian rising. Mr Hales, it may

not be generally known, served as a leader with the Macedonian rebels, and came

almost straight from the camp in the Balkans to the Far East. Mr Hales is

endeavouring to see war in the north, but so far his progress has been blocked by the

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Now that we are to be married we must begin to save. You say you will do nothing you cannot afford. He—But in that case I would have to break off our engagement.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Retiring from the Court.

Mr George Thomas, who for the past eleven years has acted as clerk and librarian at the Supreme Court, has resigned his position to join the Hongkong Electric Tramway Co. In the Court Mr Thomas made, by his universal courtesy and consideration, numerous friends, and his presence will be missed.

Cricket at Singapore.

On May 23 a cricket match was played at Singapore between the Singapore Cricket Club and a F.M.S. team. Singapore made 168 runs, and the F.M.S. team 75 in the first and 68 in the second innings. Singapore thus won the match by an innings and twenty-five runs. R. T. Reid, for Singapore, made 79 runs, being the highest score for the day.

Both Fined.

The hearing of the cross charges of assault brought by Cheung Sun Ku, a Chinese merchant and a ricksha coolie employed by D. Mowatt, of the Naval Hospital was concluded at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon after the *China Mail* went to press. Mr J. H. Gompertz found both charges proved and ordered Cheung Sun Ku to pay a fine of \$10 and the coolie the sum of \$2.

Not Dead, but Sleeping.

Three travellers in a country hotel were sleeping in the same room, or rather one was sleeping and snoring so loudly, and continuously that the others remained awake in misery, though each was under the belief that the other had succeeded in sleeping. After an hour's annoyance, the snoring suddenly ceased, and one of the two sufferers heard his companion turn his head towards the wall, and ejaculate, fervently, 'Thank heaven, he's dead.'

The Small Feet Crusade.

A private letter received from Chongtu by a Szechuan merchant doing business in Shanghai strongly praises the efforts of Mrs Archibald Little in the cause of the Natural Feet Society, or Tien Tzu Hui, in that portion of the Emperor's dominions. The writer states that Mrs Little since her return to Szechuan province has given over a dozen addresses before the ladies of Szechuan officials, gentry, and merchants, and with such admirable success that over forty young ladies and girls have had the bonds wrapped round their deformed feet loosened, which in due time will, of course, resume their natural form. To crown all, Mrs Little has succeeded in greatly interesting H. E. Hsi Liang, the Viceroy of Szechuan, in the crusade against bound feet, with the result that she has persuaded his excellency to issue a large number of proclamations, worded in the simplest of language, understandable of all but the entirely illiterate, in which the abominable practice is denounced in very strong terms. —N.C. Daily News.

Johnny's Essay on the Hog.

The hog is called a hog because he makes a hog of himself. It runs in the family. All hogs are hogs. The hog has two sides to his character, one of which is good to eat and the other we can't so cordially admire. As an article of diet the hog is one of the warmest friends of the human race that I know of. Most of him is good for food and the rest is useful in making sausages, bristle brushes, and other utensils. Nearly everything about him is palatable but his voice. The latter always seems to me to sound as if it had kind o' soured. It is said that you can't make a silk purse out of a—er—h'm—lady-hog's ear. I have never heard of any fool big enough to try to. As a citizen the hog is not so warm. His manners and instincts are gross in the extreme, and his sole ambition seems to be to eat from early morn till far into the night. When a man is dead he becomes the late Mr So-and-so, and we say nice things about him. When a hog is dead he is pork, and as often says, 'Confound this pork!' When I eat too much pa calls me a pig. A pig is a hog's little boy. This is all I know about the hog.

Plague in Formosa.

At the beginning of the year there was an outbreak of plague in Formosa which has since developed seriously (says the *Kobe Chronicle*). In January there were a few isolated cases, but by the middle of March the disease had become epidemic in character, and from the outbreak up to the 30th ult. there were no less than 2,253 cases, 1,509 of these ending fatally. From the 16th to the 30th April alone there were 901 cases and 604 deaths. The following details will show the extent of the disease, which appears to be confined to the principal part of the island:—Taihoku-ken—Taipei, 47 cases, 45 deaths; Keelung, 9 cases, 8 deaths; Tainan-ken—Kagi, 885 cases, 537 deaths; Yensuiko, 575 cases, 333 deaths; Tainan, 728 cases, 531 deaths; Hozan, 2 cases, 2 deaths. In Taihoku there were 6 cases, all of which were fatal. The great majority of these cases have occurred among the natives, but it will be observed that the outbreak is confined to that part of Formosa which is inhabited by the Japanese, although up to the present the Japanese have escaped infection to any serious extent.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Procurer's Frivolities.

The funny Procurer is back in Hongkong and on Saturday and Monday night will set himself the task of making Hongkong laugh. He will, he advertises, appear under the patronage of the Officer Administering the Government, and will introduce some new sparkling frivolities.

Racing at Singapore.

The Singapore races commenced on May 24. The Derby, valued at \$2,000, was won by Bridge, Kongsee's Lexington 8st 10lb, Tan Boo Liat's Juindo, 8st 12lb, being second, and Maribus and Glas' Gold Bar, 8st 10lb, third. Low Lee Lung's Architect won the Grand Stand Cup, valued at \$800.

Ian MacLaren Speaks.

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The Action against King Leopold.

The action brought against King Leopold by the creditors of his daughter, the Princess Louise, in which Princess Stephanie intervened, to recover their legal share of their late mother's estate, has concluded in a decision in favour of His Majesty. The Court declared that the late Queen's will was not subject to its jurisdiction, and that the marriage contract was in reality an international treaty. The Princesses were therefore non-suited. The creditors of Princess Louise, after waiting in vain for several months after the death of the Queen for the payment of their accounts, and fearing that King Leopold would give the greater part of his wealth to the nation during his life, and bequeath little to his daughter, resolved to demand the liquidation of the late Queen's estate, and a settlement of the rights of the heirs under the marriage contract. On behalf of the King, however, Counsel urged that His Majesty's marriage contract was above the action of the law which governed the acts of his subjects; that it was, in fact, an international treaty, and that the Court had no power to interfere.

A Thief Captured.

There were two patients in the Government Civil Hospital on Monday morning last who were both to be discharged that day. One was a German engineer named Deters, employed by the North German Lloyd Company, and the other a lad of 17, named Timothy Pettick. They both occupied the same room, and after getting their things together Pettick left the Hospital first. His room mate, on going to some clothes he had in the room, missed \$35 in notes from his pockets and at once suspected Pettick. He informed Dr. Bell of his suspicions and the latter at once communicated with the Police. Detective Sergeant O'Sullivan was sent to investigate and the same evening effected Pettick's arrest at Kowloon. On searching the suspect's clothes he found a \$10 note hidden in the lining of his coat, and as Pettick declared on being admitted to the Hospital that \$5 was all the money he possessed the Sergeant brought him to the police station and preferred a charge of stealing against him. The Sergeant also found that Pettick had purchased several articles of jewellery that day. At the Magistracy to-day Mr J. H. Kemp convicted Pettick of stealing the money and sentenced him to two months' imprisonment. The jewellery, and the \$10 note, were returned to the complainant.

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Retiring from the Court.

Mr George Thomas, who for the past eleven years has acted as clerk and librarian at the Supreme Court, has resigned his position to join the Hongkong Electric Tramway Co. In the Court Mr Thomas made, by his universal courtesy and consideration, numerous friends, and his presence will be missed.

Cricket at Singapore.

On May 23 a cricket match was played at Singapore between the Singapore Cricket Club and a F.M.S. team. Singapore made 168 runs, and the F.M.S. team 75 in the first and 68 in the second innings. Singapore thus won the match by an innings and twenty-five runs. R. T. Reid, for Singapore, made 79 runs, being the highest score for the day.

Both Fined.

The hearing of the cross charges of assault brought by Cheung Sun Ku, a Chinese merchant and a ricksha coolie employed by D. Mowatt, of the Naval Hospital was concluded at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon after the *China Mail* went to press. Mr J. H. Gompertz found both charges proved and ordered Cheung Sun Ku to pay a fine of \$10 and the coolie the sum of \$2.

Not Dead, but Sleeping.

Three travellers in a country hotel were sleeping in the same room, or rather one was sleeping and snoring so loudly, and continuously that the others remained awake in misery, though each was under the belief that the other had succeeded in sleeping. After an hour's annoyance, the snoring suddenly ceased, and one of the two sufferers heard his companion turn his head towards the wall, and ejaculate, fervently, 'Thank heaven, he's dead.'

The Small Feet Crusade.

A private letter received from Chongtu by a Szechuan merchant doing business in Shanghai strongly praises the efforts of Mrs Archibald Little in the cause of the Natural Feet Society, or Tien Tzu Hui, in that portion of the Emperor's dominions. The writer states that Mrs Little since her return to Szechuan province has given over a dozen addresses before the ladies of Szechuan officials, gentry, and merchants, and with such admirable success that over forty young ladies and girls have had the bonds wrapped round their deformed feet loosened, which in due time will, of course, resume their natural form. To crown all, Mrs Little has succeeded in greatly interesting H. E. Hsi Liang, the Viceroy of Szechuan, in the crusade against bound feet, with the result that she has persuaded his excellency to issue a large number of proclamations, worded in the simplest of language, understandable of all but the entirely illiterate, in which the abominable practice is denounced in very strong terms. —N.C. Daily News.

Johnny's Essay on the Hog.

The hog is called a hog because he makes a hog of himself. It runs in the family. All hogs are hogs. The hog has two sides to his character, one of which is good to eat and the other we can't so cordially admire. As an article of diet the hog is one of the warmest friends of the human race that I know of. Most of him is good for food and the rest is useful in making sausages, bristle brushes, and other utensils. Nearly everything about him is palatable but his voice. The latter always seems to me to sound as if it had kind o' soured. It is said that you can't make a silk purse out of a—er—h'm—lady-hog's ear. I have never heard of any fool big enough to try to. As a citizen the hog is not so warm. His manners and instincts are gross in the extreme, and his sole ambition seems to be to eat from early morn till far into the night. When a man is dead he becomes the late Mr So-and-so, and we say nice things about him. When a hog is dead he is pork, and as often says, 'Confound this pork!' When I eat too much pa calls me a pig. A pig is a hog's little boy. This is all I know about the hog.

Plague in Formosa.

At the beginning of the year there was an outbreak of plague in Formosa which has since developed seriously (says the *Kobe Chronicle*). In January there were a few isolated cases, but by the middle of March the disease had become epidemic in character, and from the outbreak up to the 30th ult. there were no less than 2,253 cases, 1,509 of these ending fatally. From the 16th to the 30th April alone there were 901 cases and 604 deaths. The following details will show the extent of the disease, which appears to be confined to the principal part of the island:—Taihoku-ken—Taipei, 47 cases, 45 deaths; Keelung, 9 cases, 8 deaths; Tainan-ken—Kagi, 885 cases, 537 deaths; Yensuiko, 575 cases, 333 deaths; Tainan, 728 cases, 531 deaths; Hozan, 2 cases, 2 deaths. In Taihoku there were 6 cases, all of which were fatal. The great majority of these cases have occurred among the natives, but it will be observed that the outbreak is confined to that part of Formosa which is inhabited by the Japanese, although up to the present the Japanese have escaped infection to any serious extent.

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Procurer's Frivolities.

The funny Procurer is back in Hongkong and on Saturday and Monday night will set himself the task of making Hongkong laugh. He will, he advertises, appear under the patronage of the Officer Administering the Government, and will introduce some new sparkling frivolities.

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Skate, —Po Yu	9	鯊魚
Shrimps, —Ha	15	蝦
Snapper, —Lap Yu	14	立魚
Soloes, —Tat Sa Yu	14	撻沙魚
Tench, —Wan Yu	18	乾魚
Turbot, —Cho How Yu	...	...	...	14	口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water, —Kerk Yu	...	...	...	45	小魚
White Bait, —Ngan Yu C	...	...	...	—	銀魚

Fruits.					菓子
Almonds, —Hung Yan	...	...	...	20	杏仁
Apples, (California) —Kam San Ping Kho	...	...	...	50	金山平果
„ (Ohefoo) —Tin Chun Ping Khor	...	...	...	—	天津平果
„ Small, —Hoi Tong	...	...	...	—	海菜
„ Custard, —Fan Lai Chi	...	...	...	—	香蕉
BANANAS, fragrant, Canton, —San Shing	...	...	...	—	香城香蕉
„ Heung Chiu	...	...	...	8	香港
Bananas, (brides), Macao —San Huen, Chin	...	...	...	—	山香港
Chestnuts, Chinese, —Fung Lut	12	果栗
„ Charambola, —Yeung Too	—	楊桃
Coconuts, —Yeh Tze	9	椰子

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" Fresh "	8	荔枝
Limee, (Saigon) - Sai Kung Ning Moong...	6	西貢檸檬
Mango, Manila - Lui Sung Mong	each 25	呂宋芒果
Mango, Saigon - Sai Kung Moong...	" 3	西貢芒果
Man ootena, - San Chuk Tze	dozen 1	山竹子
Oranges, (Canton) - San Shing Tim Ohang	15	省城蜜橘
Small - Tai Kut	15	

Olives,—Pak Lam	...	...	8		白油
Pears, (American),—Kam-San Shui Li	...	...	10	金山梨	沙梨
(Canton), Ooking,—Sā Lī	...	...	10		
(Shanghai),—Sheung Hai Li	...	...	16		上海梨
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	...	...	10		花生
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie	...	...	—		紅柿
Fine-apples, 1st quality,—Sheung Foon YU Paw Law	...	each	10	本地蘋果	
" 2nd cooking—Chung-tang-paw-law	...	...	—		中帶
Plantains,—Tai Cheu	...	...	2		大蕉
Plums,—Swatow Hung Lai,	...	...	8		紅梅
Pumpino, Siam,—Chin Lo Kau	20		蓮藕
Waterloo,—Hop Tuo	12		合桃
" Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	—		生合桃

Vegetables, &c.

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Artichokes, Shanghai —Sheung Hai Ah Ohi Cheuk	5		
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„ Sprout,—Ah Choi	2	芽菜
„ Long,—Tau Kok	8	豆角
Beet Root,—Hung Choi tau	...	each	2	紅菜

Brimjals, Red,—Hung Yuen Koo	青光紅
" Green,—Ching Ker...	...	...	3	紅綠
Brassica,—Pak Choi...	...	...	...	白頭菜
Bamboo Shoots,—Cheuk Shun	...	...	16	竹筴
Cabbage, Chinese, con.—Kai Choy	...	...	...	芥菜
Cabbage Root,—Kai Lan Tau	...	cach	2	芥蘭
Cabbage, (Shanghai).—Yeh Choh	...	...	8	上海白菜
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	...	...	...	蔗竿
Canuliflowr, Large size,—Tai Yeh Choh Fa each—	...	each—	...	大芥菜
" Medium size,—Cheung Yeh Cho-fa	...	...	...	中芥菜
" Small size,—Sai Yeh Choh Fa	...	...	...	細芥菜
Carrots,—Kam Shun	...	...	5	金鈴
Celery, Chinese,—Tung Kan Choi	...	...	...	磨芹菜
" English,—Young	...	yut	—	洋芹
" White,—Pak	...	...	...	白洋芹
Chilies Dried,—Con Lat Chiui	...	...	28	乾辣椒
" Red,—Hung Fa	...	...	...	紅花油
" Green, China Lat Chiui	...	...	10	綠花油

Curry Stuff, English, "Ka Lee Chol Lin..."	6	加厘村
Cucumbers,—Ohing Kwa	2	青瓜
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	4	苦瓜
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Ginger, young,—Sun Tsai Keung	8	新子薑
" old,—Lo Keung	4	老薑
Horse Radish, Sh'ai—Lik Kau	18	力拔根
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai place	3	粟米
Lettuce,—Young Sang Choh each	1	生菜
Water Chestnut,—Ma Tai	4	馬蹄
" Mandarin,—Kwei Lum Ma Tai,	7	鹹林馬蹄
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kuo	—	生草菇
Onions, Bombay,—Young Ching ah	7	洋葱苗
" Green,—Sang Chung	3	生蔥
" Shanghai,—Saoung Hai Chung Tsai	—	上海蔥苗
" Japan,—Yut Poon	—	日本蔥苗
Parsley,—Kun Cho	1	芹菜
Parsnips	10	荷蘭菰
Grass Pea,—Ho Len Tau... ..	—	荷蘭豆

Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu	2	番薯
„ Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Shu Tsai	—	上海薯仔
„ Japan,—Yut Poor Shu Tsai	4	日本薯仔

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"	Macao, —Oh Moon	an	澳門新
"	Pamphlet, —Toong Kwa	2	牛馬
"	Radiab, —Hung Lo Pak Tai	...	dosen	1	紅蔴粉
"	Rhubarb (Fresh), —Tai Wong	...	...	26	大寶
"	Sialote, —Oon Chung Tan	...	...	...	乾菜門
"	Spinage, (Chinese) —Faw Choi	...	...	...	菠菜
"	Spinach, —Yin Choi	...	...	2	銀菜
"	Tomatoes, —Fan'Ker	...	...	5	番菜
"	Taro, —Wa Tuo	...	...	2	芋頭
"	Turnips, Puntch (Hong), —Low Pak	...	...	4	紅蓮
"	English, —Jung Low Pak	pieces	...	...	洋蔥
"	Vegetable Marrow, —Oh! Kw	3	鹹菜
"	Water Cresses, —Sai Young Choi	4	水浸菜
"	Edly root, —Lin Ngan	5	靚根
"	Yams, —Ta Si	2	薯

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